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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated October 10, 2001, applicant has filed a Request for Continued Examination under rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and hereby amends the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 17-31 without prejudice.
Please add the following new claims 32-80.

32. (New) A method of determining an index value in terms of a notional fixed-income related instrument, the method using market data for other instruments, the method comprising:

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